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- (b) Loan rates for the eligible dairy products shall be made available in FSA State and county offices.
- (c) Recourse loans shall be available as provided in this part for eligible Cheddar cheese, butter, and nonfat dry milk

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§1430.402 Administration.

- (a) The loan program shall be administered under the general supervision of the Executive Vice President, CCC (Administrator, FSA), and shall be carried out in the field by FSA State and county committees.
- (b) State and county committees, and representatives and employees thereof, do not have the authority to modify or waive any of the provisions of this subpart.
- (c) The State committee shall take any action these regulations require which the county committee has not taken. The State committee shall also:
- (1) Correct, or require a county committee to correct, a county committee action which is not in accordance with the regulations of this subpart; or
- (2) Require a county committee to withhold taking any action which is not in accordance with the regulations of this subpart.
- (d) No provision or delegation herein to a State or county committee shall preclude the Executive Vice President, CCC (Administrator, FSA), from determining any question arising under the program or from revising or modifying any State or county committee determination.
- (e) The Deputy Administrator, FSA, may authorize State and county committees to waive or modify deadlines and other program requirements in cases where lateness or failure to meet such other requirements do not adversely affect recourse loan program operation.
- (f) A CCC representative may execute loans and related documents only under the terms and conditions CCC determines and announces. Any such document which is not executed in accordance with such terms and conditions, including any purported execution prior to the CCC authorized date, is null and void.

§1430.403 Loan rates.

- (a) The Secretary will announce before January 1, 2001, and thereafter, before October 1 of each year, that a recourse loan program is available under this subpart, and loan rates for Cheddar cheese, butter, and nonfat dry milk based on a milk equivalent value of \$9.90 per hundredweight of milk containing 3.67 percent butterfat.
- (b) Such loan rates will be announced by USDA news release.

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§ 1430.404 Quantity eligible for loan.

- (a) Any processor is eligible for a recourse loan on eligible dairy products owned by such processor.
- (b) The total quantity of eligible dairy product which a processor may pledge as collateral for a loan at any single time may not exceed:
- (1) The quantity of eligible dairy products processed during the fiscal year in which application is being made; plus
- (2) The quantity of eligible dairy products processed during and under loan on September 30 of the prior fiscal year, if such products are immediately repledged as collateral for a supplemental loan on October 1 of the current fiscal year.
- (c) All eligible dairy products pledged as collateral for a loan are required to be stored identity-preserved in eligible storage facilities.
- (d) The processor shall furnish CCC such certification as CCC considers necessary to verify compliance with quantitative limitations.

§ 1430.405 Quality eligibility requirements.

- (a) For dairy products to be eligible to be pledged as collateral for a recourse loan, the processor must furnish CCC such certification as CCC considers necessary to verify the following minimum quality requirements:
 - (1) Cheddar cheese shall be:
- (i) U.S. Grade A or higher and moisture shall not exceed 38.5 percent for block cheese; or
- (ii) U.S. Extra Grade and moisture shall not exceed 36.5 percent for barrel cheese.

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- (2) Nonfat dry milk shall be U.S. Extra Grade and moisture shall not exceed 3.5 percent; and
- (3) Butter shall be U.S. Grade A or higher.
- (b) Any eligible dairy product pledged as collateral must be free of any contamination by either natural or manmade substances and must not contain chemicals or other substances which are poisonous or harmful to humans or animals.
- (c) CCC shall, at any time, have the right to inspect collateral in the storage facilities in which it is stored.

§ 1430.406 Storage facility requirements.

Eligible dairy products will be stored under the terms and conditions CCC prescribes.

§ 1430.407 Availability, disbursement, and maturity of loans.

- (a)(1) To obtain an initial recourse loan on eligible dairy products, a dairy processor:
- (i) Must file a request for an initial recourse loan, as CCC prescribes, with the State committee of the State where such processor is headquartered or a State committee designated county committee:
- (ii) Must execute a note and security agreement and a storage agreement as CCC prescribes; and
- (iii) Shall be responsible for all costs incurred in moving eligible dairy products to an eligible storage facility.
- (2) A request for an initial loan must be filed no later than September 30 of the fiscal year in which the product was produced, but no earlier than January 1, 2001.
- (3) If there are any liens or encumbrances on eligible dairy products pledged as collateral for a recourse loan, waivers that fully protect CCC's interest must be obtained even though the liens or encumbrances are satisfied from the loan proceeds. No additional liens or encumbrances shall be placed on the eligible dairy product after the loan is approved.
- (4) A processor shall pay CCC a loan service fee in connection with the disbursement of each loan. The amount of the service fee shall be determined and

- announced by the Executive Vice President, CCC.
- (b) No loan proceeds may be disbursed for dairy products until they have actually been produced and are established as being eligible to be pledged as loan collateral.
- (c) Loans will mature no later than September 30 following disbursement of the loan.
- (1) Loan maturity dates may be accelerated by CCC in accordance with §1430.428 (d) of this subpart.
- (2) CCC may offer supplemental loans at the maturity of initial loans.
- (d)(1) A processor may, if supplemental loans are offered, before the maturity date of an initial loan, request a supplemental loan by:
- (i) Repaying the initial loan principal plus interest on September 30;
- (ii) Repledging as collateral for a supplemental loan, on October 1, eligible dairy products identified as collateral for an initial loan maturing on September 30 of the immediately preceding fiscal year; and
- (iii) Executing a note and security agreement and a storage agreement as CCC prescribes.
 - (2) Such supplemental loan:
- (i) Shall be requested by the processor no later than September 30 of the fiscal year in which the initial loan is maturing.
- (ii) Shall be at the loan rate and interest rate applicable to the month in which the supplemental loan is disbursed.
- (iii) Shall mature as CCC specifies, but not later than September 30 following disbursement of the supplemental loan.
- (iv) May only be authorized for 1 fiscal year.
- (e) The county office shall file or record, as required by State law, all security agreements which are issued with respect to eligible dairy products pledged as collateral for loan. The cost of filing and recording shall be paid for by CCC.
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§1430.408 Loan maintenance and liquidation.

(a) The processor shall: